REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Title of Publication: J046

Other Known Title: MUSIC01

Medium: CD-ROM

Director/Author: Not Stated

Producer/Publisher: Not Stated

Country of Origin: Japan

Language: Japanese

Applicant: The District Court At Auckland

Distributor: Not Applicable

Classification: Objectionable.

Descriptive Note: Not Applicable

Display Conditions: Not Applicable

Date of entry in Register: 24 June 2008

Date of direction to issue a label: Not Applicable

OFLC No: 801031

Unexcised version of publication:

	Components	Running time
Menu:	CDDA CDI EXT KARAOKE MPEGAV SEGMENT VCD	
Timed component:	MUSIC01	58.04

Other components:	ITEM0001 CDI_APPL.VCD VCD_BACK.DYV VCD_BTN.C8	
Total running time:		58.04

Excisions: Not Applicable

Reasons for excisions:

Not Applicable

Summary of reasons for classification:

The CD-ROM entitled *J046* is classified as:
Objectionable.

The publication promotes and supports the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes. The publication explicitly depicts an adolescent girl being guided through sexual activity by a markedly older man. The inexperienced and naive behaviour of the girl, her clothing, and her appearance give the impression she is between 13 and 16 years of age. The publication clearly depicts the girl being sexually groomed by an adult man, in a manner designed to sexually arouse adult males. The publication gives the impression that teenage girls are seeking sexual guidance from, and are legitimate sexual partners for, adult men. It may also encourage adults with a sexual interest in young persons to engage in inappropriate and damaging relationships with young girls.

The Classification Office has considered the effects of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990 on the application of the classification criteria. The classification of this publication interferes with freedom of expression, but this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on freedom of expression that reflects the concern of a free and democratic society to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of young persons for sexual purposes.